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Annual Report .

LANCASTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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Highlights of 1964

Successful bi-centennial celebration.

Inauguration of the District Court System.

Reconstruction of part of Martin Meadow Pond Road.

New Communications for Civil Defense.

Purchased new truck and plows for Highway Department.

Dana Roberts elected to Board of Selectmen.

Plans for 1965

Begin construction of sewerage disposal system.

Authorization for a planning board.

Proposed town planning.

Re-appraisal of town.

Cover Picture: Bicentennial Queen and her court on float entered by Lancaster Chamber of Commerce.—Photo by Miss Edna Whyte.

Other Bicentennial photographs by Warren A. Bartlett.

ANNUAL REPORT

Town of

Lancaster, N. H.

FOR THE YEAR

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Directory of Officials

Elected Officials

Selectmen	Term Expires
Arthur G. Sherman	1965
Maurice W. Lee	1966
Dana L. Roberts	1967

Moderator	Term Expires
Dana H. Lee	1966

Town Clerk and Treasurer	Term Expires
Dorothy H. Willson	1965

Supervisors of the Check List	Term Expires
Albert J. Kenney	1966
Wilbur M. Schurman	1966
Robert C. Rich	1966

Trustees of Trust Funds	Term Expires
Raymond W. McCaig	1965
Sinclair Weeks	1966
Daniel A. O'Brien	1967

Library Trustees	Term Expires
Sinclair Weeks	1965
Harold S. Mountain	1966
Ethel McCarten	1967

Col. Town Investment Committee	Term Expires
J. Wendall Kimball	O. Leo Connary
Daniel A. Sullivan	Raymond W. McCaig
Raymond F. Linscott	Raymond Carr
Hugh Galbraith	

Col. Town Spending Committee	Term Expires
James A. Ferguson	1965
Nathalie Wheeler	1965
Charles T. Bennett	1965
Robert C. Rich	1966
Grace M. Lee	1966
Margaret P. Guilmette	1966
George E. Hunter, Jr.	1967
Arthur M. Drake	1967
Priscilla B. Evans	1967

Emmons Smith Fund Committee	Term Expires
Marion M. Balch	1965
Laurence J. Paul	1966
Mary H. Carey	1967

Town Manager—Overseer of Public Welfare—Tax Collector

Donald E. Crane

Town Accountant Admin. Assistant

Donna P. Young

Town Counsel

John E. Gormley

Health Officer

James A. Ferguson, M. D.

Public Health Nurse

Mrs. Edith R. Hodge, R. N.

Public Health Nursing Committee

Priscilla Evans, Margaret Crawford, Edna Whyte

Budget Committee

Term Expires

Carl Lesnick

1965

John Evans

1965

Donald McGoff

1965

Richard Carr

1966

Elmer Dickey

1966

Frank Wallace

1966

John E. Gormley

1967

Reynold Guilmette

1967

Chester Savage

1967

Representatives on Budget Committee

Maurice W. Lee, Grace M. Lee, Edward K. Whitcomb

Zoning Board of Appeal

Term Expires

Lincoln Berry

1965

John D. Roberts

1966

Robert Crane

1967

Fred B. Bowles

1968

Ethel McCarten

1969

Building Inspector

Ross F. Stanard

Cemetery Committee

Hugh J. Galbraith

Minnie Currier

Dorothy H. Johnson

Highway Foreman

Arthur J. Savage

Chief of Police

Stetson Archibald

District Court

Hon. Walter D. Hinkley, Judge

George F. Carter, Clerk

Report to the Citizens

Fellow Citizens:

The annual report for the year 1964 is presented herein and should be read by every citizen to better understand the many functions of your town government. If you have questions that remain unanswered do not hesitate to inquire.

Improvements were continued on roads, streets, sidewalks, and many other areas. New equipment was added in the highway department and the other equipment was maintained in top condition with minimum maintenance costs.

The year ended with a budget surplus of \$7,420.67, resulting from unexpended balance of appropriation of \$1,757.08 and excess in revenue estimate of \$5,563.59. The current surplus (excess of assets over liabilities) increased by \$2,126.70 to \$21,283.15.

The Town also enjoys an enviable debt with two outstanding notes amounting to only \$12,000.00 and one note will be retired in 1965.

I express my appreciation to the Board of Selectmen, department heads and employees, the various committee members and the citizens for their continued cooperation. A special thanks to the Bicentennial committee who with the assistance of many people did an outstanding job in conducting the many activities during the year.

Sincerely,

DONALD E. CRANE
Town Manager

Town Warrant

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Lancaster, in the County of Coos, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Lancaster on Tuesday, the ninth day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the subjects hereinafter mentioned. The polls will be open at said meeting place and date from such time as shall be determined by said meeting until six o'clock in the afternoon for the reception of your ballots.

1. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.
2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen and town treasurer to borrow a sum or sums not exceeding in the aggregate the amount of the tax commitment of the previous year (1964), in anticipation of the collection of taxes for the current municipal year, and to issue in the name and on the credit of the Town negotiable notes therefor, said notes to be paid in the current municipal year from taxes collected during the current municipal year.
3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen to administer or dispose of any real estate acquired by tax collector's deeds.
4. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from the surplus accumulated in 1964 the sum of Three Thousand (\$3,000.00) Dollars to be used toward defraying the cost of office equipment for the Town Office.
5. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from the surplus accumulated in 1964 the sum of Four Thousand Three Hundred Fifty (\$4,350.00) Dollars to be used toward defraying the cost of highway equipment for the Town.
6. To see if the Town will vote to establish an Aeronautical Fund, so-called, in accordance with the provisions of Revised Statutes Annotated, Chapter 423, Section 6, and raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Five Hundred Twenty-five (\$5,525.00) Dollars and pay such a sum into said Aeronautical Fund, and, for this purpose, to authorize the selectmen to borrow upon the note or notes of the Town a sum not in excess of Five Thousand Five Hundred Twenty-five (\$5,525.00) Dollars at such rate of interest and payable at such time and place as the selectmen shall decide, in accordance with the provisions of Revised Statutes Annotated, Chapter 33, and amendments, thereto, entitled "Municipal Finance Act".

7. If the Town votes in the affirmative as required by law on Article 6, to see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen, in accordance with the provisions of Revised Statutes Annotated, Chapter 423, Section 8, to transfer said sum of Five Thousand Five Hundred and Twenty-five (\$5,525.00) Dollars from the Aeronautical Fund to the New Hampshire Aeronautics Commission, said sum to be expended by said New Hampshire Aeronautics Commission on the Whitefield Regional Airport, so-called, in connection with the expansion of said Airport facilities.

8. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Planning Board of five or seven members, with duties as set forth in Revised Statutes Annotated, Chapter 36, Sections 1 to 15, inclusive, said Board to make a study of the Town's development and report to the Town appropriate recommendations for the promotion and maintenance of the Town's best development, said Board shall consist of one selectman and four or six other citizens of the Town appointed by the selectmen, as provided in said Chapter 36 of Revised Statutes Annotated.

9. If the Town votes in the affirmative on Article 8, to see if the Town will vote to authorize and empower the Planning Board to approve or disapprove, in its discretion, plats showing new streets or the widening thereof, or parks, and upon adoption of this article, it shall be the duty of the town clerk to file with the Registry of Deeds for the County of Coos a certificate or note showing that the said Planning Board has been so authorized, giving the date of authorization, as provided for in Revised Statutes Annotated, Chapter 36, Sections 18 to 29, inclusive.

10. To see if the Town will vote to do what is reasonably feasible and desirable to remove obstructions to the flow of the Israel River below the Main Street bridge in flood times, including the purchase of the Island, so-called, in said River below said bridge and making such changes therein as shall be feasible and desirable for the purpose aforesaid, and, for this purpose to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand (\$2,000.00) Dollars.

11. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the construction of a municipal sewerage disposal system, including a municipal sewerage treatment plant, interception sewers, sewer collectors, storm sewer separation, sewerage treatment work and acquisition of any necessary land, rights of way and easements for the purpose of eliminating pollution of the Israel River.

12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the board of selectmen to apply for, negotiate and do all other things necessary to obtain Federal and/or State aid or such other assistance as may be available for said sewerage disposal system project, and to apply

for approval of said project by the State Water Pollution Commission and for a recommendation concerning a State guarantee of any bonds that may be authorized to be issued.

13. If the Town votes in the affirmative on Article 11, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed Five Hundred Forty-One Thousand Four Hundred Fifteen (\$541,415.00) Dollars to be used with any available Federal aid to defray the cost of said sewerage disposal system and authorize the expenditure of the same under the direction of the board of selectmen; said appropriation to be conditioned upon obtaining State and Federal aid equal to eighty (80%) per cent of the total cost of said project, exclusive of the cost of necessary land acquisition.

14. If the Town votes in the affirmative on the preceding Article, to see if the Town will vote to authorize the board of selectmen, for the purpose of financing the cost of said municipal sewerage disposal system, to borrow on the credit of the Town the sum of money so raised and appropriated and, for this purpose, to authorize the issue of serial bonds of the Town under and in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act, so-called, being New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated, Chapter 33, or any other enabling authority; and further, for this purpose, to authorize the selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds, to determine the rate of interest thereon and to take such other action as may be necessary or convenient to effect the issuance, negotiation, sale and delivery of such bonds.

15. If the Town does not vote in the affirmative on Articles 13 and 14, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed Fifty Thousand (\$50,000.00) Dollars for the purpose of laying and constructing a new sewer system on part of Summer Street and on Causeway Street, including a lift station, so-called, and, for this purpose, to authorize the selectmen to borrow by the issue of serial notes or bonds of the Town in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 33 of New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated and any amendments thereto, being known as the Municipal Finance Act, a sum not exceeding Fifty Thousand (\$50,000.00) Dollars, and to authorize the selectmen to determine the time and place of payment and the rate of interest on said notes or bonds, and to do whatever may be necessary or convenient in connection with the issuance thereof; and to apply against the sum raised and appropriated under this article any Federal, State or other funds which may now or hereafter be available for said purposes.

16. To see if the Town will vote to accept the budget as submitted by the budget committee.

17. To direct how money raised for the above purposes be expended.

18. To act upon any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this day of February, 1965.

ARTHUR G. SHERMAN

MAURICE W. LEE

DANA L. ROBERTS

Selectmen of the Town of Lancaster

A true copy of warrant—Attest:

ARTHUR G. SHERMAN

MAURICE W. LEE

DANA L. ROBERTS

Selectmen of the Town of Lancaster



Town Budget

The proposed budget for the fiscal year 1965 follows: The budget is prepared by the Budget Committee from information furnished by the Board of Selectmen, and other Town Officers. The Budget Committee held public hearings for a general discussion of all recommended appropriations. Expression from the Public is a determining factor as to the amount of appropriations or a particular appropriation. Many long hours were spent by the Committee and Town Officials in preparation of the Budget. It is their feeling that the expression of the Public is reflected in the Budget.

Included is the estimate and actual revenues, appropriations and expenditures of the previous year 1964.

REVENUE

Sources of Revenue	Estimated 1964	Actual 1964	Estimated 1965
From State:			
Interest & Dividends Tax	\$ 10,414.00	\$ 10,414.01	\$ 10,400.00
Railroad Tax	818.00	817.73	820.00
Savings Bank Tax	2,089.00	2,089.18	2,089.00
Reimbursement a/c State & Federal			
Forest Lands	67.74	67.74	70.00
Sewer Project	885.00	885.00	0.00
Reimbursement a/c Old Age			
Assistance	320.00	315.75	320.00
From Local Sources Except Taxes:			
Dog Licenses	560.00	599.61	600.00
Business Licenses, Permits and			
Filing Fees	425.00	507.50	500.00
Fines & Forfeits, Municipal Court	2,000.00	3,061.85	3,500.00

Sources of Revenue	Estimated 1964	Actual 1964	Estimated 1965
Rent of Town Hall & other buildings	1,500.00	1,563.00	1,500.00
Interest Received on taxes & deposits	1,500.00	2,623.44	1,500.00
Income from Investments	250.00	250.00	250.00
Income from Municipally owned utilities			
Precinct	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Federal Grant			373,450.00
Parking Meter Income	6,000.00	6,594.94	6,000.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	18,700.00	20,076.96	19,500.00
Commission on Head Taxes	750.00	618.00	750.00
Sale of Town Property	400.00	1,226.21	500.00
Amt. Raised by issue of bonds or notes:			
Sewer			400,000.00
Airport			5,525.00
Cash Surplus	4,500.00	4,500.00	7,350.00
From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:			
Poll Taxes — Regular @ \$2	2,638.00	2,554.00	2,500.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	682.00	682.00	682.00
Yield Taxes	554.81	416.20	500.00
Added Taxes		438.83	
Total Revenues from all Sources			
Except Property Taxes	\$56,053.55	\$61,301.95	\$839,306.00
Amt. to be Raised by Prop. Taxes			139,771.00
Total Revenues			\$979,077.00

EXPENDITURES

Purposes of Expenditures	Appro. 1964	Actual Expend. 1964	Appropriations
			Recommended by Budget Comm. 1965
Current Maintenance Expenses:			
General Government:			
Town Appraisal	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$
Employees' Hospitalization	1,050.00	716.73	960.00
Town Officers' Salaries	12,070.00	12,180.50	12,710.00
Town Officers' Expenses	4,695.00	4,855.00	7,930.00
Election & Registration Expenses	575.00	1,130.90	225.00
Municipal Court Expenses	2,100.00	1,877.50	3,400.00
Expenses Town Hall and Other			
Town Buildings	6,800.00	8,009.24	7,150.00
Employees' Retirement &			
Social Security	2,500.00	3,089.02	2,500.00
Protection of Persons & Prop:			
Parking Meters	6,000.00	6,154.84	6,000.00
Police Department	16,125.00	14,735.86	14,525.00
Fire Department	4,500.00	4,500.00	5,500.00
Moth Exterm.—Blister Rust &			
Care of Trees	1,600.00	1,372.99	2,125.00
Insurance	4,296.92	2,964.64	4,038.00
Planning & Zoning	200.00	186.60	400.00
Damages & Legal Expenses	450.00	485.95	700.00
Civil Defense	300.00	221.27	300.00
Health:			
Health Dept., Including hospitals	5,744.43	5,744.43	6,199.00
Vital Statistics	350.00	341.00	350.00
Sewer Maintenance	2,500.00	2,499.62	2,500.00
Town Dump & Garbage Removal	2,950.00	2,956.13	3,150.00
Highways and Bridges:			
Town Maintenance	54,950.00	55,690.11	56,600.00
Street Lighting	11,500.00	11,348.49	11,300.00
Town Road Aid	748.25	748.25	745.00
Libraries	7,378.09	7,378.09	8,010.00
Public Welfare:			
Town Poor	3,500.00	2,657.17	3,500.00
Old Age Assistance	8,500.00	8,756.30	8,750.00
Patriotic Purposes:			
Memorial Day & Veterans' Assoc.	200.00	200.00	200.00

Purposes of Expenditures	Actual Expend. 1964	Appropriations Recommended by Budget Comm. 1965	
		Actual Expend. 1964	Comm. 1965
Recreation:			
Parks and Playgrounds, Including			
Band Concerts	2,700.00	2,668.79	2,700.00
Public Service Enterprises:			
Israel River Cleanup			* 2,000.00
Cemeteries	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,500.00
Airports			5,525.00
Advertising & Regional Assoc.	3,424.28	2,835.06	4,425.00
Interest:			
On Temporary Loans	1,200.00	1,463.07	1,500.00
On Long Term Notes & Bonds	575.00	575.01	410.00
Highways & Bridges:			
Sewer Project			773,450.00
Sewer Construction	500.00	500.00	500.00
New Equipment	6,500.00	6,681.90	9,800.00
Payment on Principal of Debt:			
Long Term Notes	7,000.00	7,000.00	3,500.00
Pay. to Capital Reserve Fund	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
Total Expenditures	\$192,981.97	\$192,024.46	\$979,077.00
* Submitted by Budget Committee without recommendation.			

Notes Worth Noting

Some new laws enacted in 1963 that were effective in 1964 are listed below:

Time Limit to Insert Articles in Warrant. Chapter 39—Requires an article presented by petition for insertion in the warrant to be presented to a selectman at least 35 days before annual meeting.

Historic Districts Permitted. Chapter 31—Allows municipalities to establish a Historic District Commission. The commission in order to preserve historic sites, is empowered to act on all building permits, although a decision is appealable to the zoning board of adjustment. Town meetings may exempt property from taxation, district regulations must be in accord with master plan and zoning ordinance.

Access Roads to Private Ski Developments. Chapter 236 B—enables the Legislature to authorize an appropriation for the State Highway Department to build ski access roads for developers showing financial ability. The approval of the governor and council is required.

Ski Access Road Aid. Chapter 324—Provides \$300,000 loan for a ski access road in the Willard Basin, Lancaster.

Sweepstakes Revenue for Education Chapter 284—Authorizes sale of tickets for sweepstake races with the net proceed being distributed each December 15 to local school districts on a flat grant per resident pupil basis.

Tax Exemption for Veterans 65 or Older. Chapter 72—Any veteran or his widow 65 years or older is allowed a \$1,000 residential property tax exemption regardless of how much property he owns. One year's residence preceding April 1 required. Effective April 1, 1964.

Veterans Exemption Tied to Assessing Ratio. Chapter 72—Allows veterans a \$1,000 residential property tax exemption if his equity does not exceed the same proportion as \$10,000 is to 100% true value.

\$8,000 Property Exemptions for Disabled Veterans—Wartime Veterans' Widows. Chapter 72—Increased the property tax exemptions for disabled veterans and widows of veterans who died or were killed in wartime from \$5,000 to \$8,000.

Timber Yield Tax Year Changed to April 1. Chapter 79—Changes the timber tax year from October 1 to April 1.

Property Tax Livestock Exemption. Chapter 72—Repeals entirely the property tax on hogs, sheep and goats while cows, oxen and poultry are given an exemption of \$1,000 for cattle and \$350 for poultry. The owner must file an affidavit with the assessors that no part of the cows or poultry have been purchased, transferred or sold in order to avoid the exemption. Cattle over 24 months old and poultry over four months are taxable.

School Per Capita Tax Repealed. Chapter 186—Repeals the \$2 per capita school tax which supported the State share of superintendents' salaries effective January 1, 1964. This will save towns and cities \$200,000 in 1964.

Bill in Hold Goods Exempt. Chapter 72—Exempts "goods sold but not shipped" from the stock-in-trade tax.

30% State Aid for Pollution Control. Chapter 149B—Provides increase of state aid to towns and cities from 20% to 30% for state share of pollution control costs. Payments are retroactive to communities that have already completed sewer treatment systems.

Covered Bridges. Chapter 243—Allows municipalities to receive state aid on the same covered wooden bridge more than once but not twice in one year.

District Court System Established. Chapter 502—Establishes a system of 37 district courts which will eventually replace all 83 municipal courts by death or retirement of municipal court justices or by decision of a town to terminate its municipal court. Municipal courts will have exclusive jurisdiction for offences where fine not over \$500 or 1 year jail or both within its town only.

Board of Selectmen and Town Manager

The Board of Selectmen is responsible for determining policy, appoints the manager and supervises his performance. The Selectmen act as a group, not individually, in instructing the manager.

The Manager is the administrative head of all departments of the Town and is responsible for the efficient administration thereof. He has general supervision of all town property and business affairs of the town and of the expenditures of moneys, appropriated by it for town purposes. He prepares and submits to the Selectmen the annual budget and submits such other reports as may be required. Keeps the selectmen advised as to the needs of the town and of the financial condition and such other duties as may be required of him by vote of the selectmen or as may be required by law or ordinance. The letting, making and performance of all contracts for work done for the town, the purchase of all supplies for the town and to administer the poor relief of the town. He is also collector of taxes.

The Selectmen held 42 regularly scheduled meetings at the town office, with the manager present, to transact town business. These regular meetings are scheduled each first and third Monday evening of month and are open to the public. Special meetings were held with the manager present for special town business. Several meetings were held with special groups and committees.

The Board attended meetings held by the State Tax Commission, the N. H. Assessors Association and the N. H. Municipal Association. The Manager attended most of the meetings plus other municipal meetings and public hearings that pertain to municipal affairs.

Board of Assessors

The Board of Assessors appraised new properties, including two new residents, four commercial and appraisals were made on 33 additions and improvements to existing properties. The Board used their experience, expert advice and all available information to arrive at fair and equitable assessments. Other taxable property assessed by the Board included boats, gasoline pumps, construction machinery and wood products including reported timber cuttings.

The first day of April the Board visited each farm and assessed 773 dairy cows, 185 neat stock for a value of \$87,995.00 less livestock exemption of \$25,980.00. A new law allowing an exemption on farm animals up to \$1,000 is allowed each owner of livestock. Applications must be made each year. This year 31 applications were granted.

The Board held meetings to receive inventories of taxable property and answered all pertinent inquiries. All veterans' exemptions filed were carefully examined and action taken on each. The 207 veterans' exemptions as approved amounted to \$206,215.00. A change in the veterans' exemption law allows all veterans or veterans' widows 65 years of age and over \$1,000.00 exemption regardless of the assessed value of the real estate. The equity allowance of \$5,000.00 has changed to \$10,000.00 or an amount which is in proportion to \$10,000.00 as the level of the tax assessments. Applications must be filed each year before April 15.

SUMMARY OF VALUATIONS

Real Estate (inc. house trailers)	\$6,216,249.00
Stock-In-Trade	760,255.00
Electric Plants	428,400.00
Pipe Lines	198,203.00
Mills and Machinery	219,545.00
Road Machinery	54,740.00
Wood and Lumber	2,060.00
Boats	4,385.00
Animals and Fowls	83,610.00
Gasoline Pumps	11,086.00
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Total Valuation	\$7,978,533.00
Veterans and 2 Blind Exemptions	202,215.00
Livestock exemption (\$370.00 poultry)	25,980.00
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Taxable Valuation	\$7,744,338.00

Taxes and Budget Summary

Property Taxes: The net taxable valuation of \$7,744,338.00 is an increase of \$108,569.00 over 1963. A substantial increase despite the new livestock exemption and the changes in the veterans' exemption law. You will note on the preceding page that the livestock exemption amounts to \$25,980.00 alone. The veterans' exemption increased by \$22,585.00 over 1963. The increase in valuation resulted mostly from new properties and additions and improvements to existing properties. Stock-in-trade increased by \$23,070.00, electric plants by \$14,700.00 and road building machinery increased \$13,769.00. Other items remained about the same except the valuation of animals dropped by \$11,867.00.

Other taxes and revenue: Other taxes include the poll taxes, timber taxes, interest and dividend tax, savings bank tax and railroad tax. A complete listing of these taxes and other revenue items can be found under summary of receipts (see index). Other revenue items include items such as motor vehicle permits, court fees, business licenses etc.

Tax Rate: The tax rate as approved is \$53.50 for each \$1,000.00 of valuation. The rate is determined by dividing the \$7,744,338.00 assessed valuation into the net amounts needed by the Town, School and County, which this year was \$414,322.08 (see summary below). The rate divided among the divisions gives the school a \$32.70 rate which is 61% of the total tax rate, the Town \$17.90 or 33.5% and the County rate \$2.90 or 5.5% of the total tax rate.

A comparison of the Town school (Lancaster's share of the White Mountains Regional School District) and county budgets or share of the property taxes is:

Town Budget	1963	1964
Total appropriations	\$198,344.20	\$195,672.60
Estimated revenues	49,612.23	56,053.55
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Net raised by property taxes	\$148,731.97	\$139,619.05
School Budget		
Appropriations (Lancaster's share)	\$285,988.58	\$342,194.41
Less estimated revenues	21,189.90	21,895.38
Less foundation aid	59,364.08	64,122.18
Less unencumbered cash balance	6,116.89	4,181.01
Plus property adjustment		772.62
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Net raised by property taxes	\$199,317.61	\$252,768.46
County		
Net raised by property tax rate	\$19,999.31	\$21,934.57

ASSESSED VALUATION

1962	7.5
1963	7.6
1964	7.7

TRANSFERS AND CREDITS

Appropriation for projects that are not completed within the fiscal year for which it was approved the unused balance may be forwarded into the next fiscal year to complete the project. Appropriation that are made in one fiscal year to go with a future appropriation for a particular project or item may also be forwarded. The following items were forwarded to 1964:

Reappraisal	\$2,000.00
Civil Defense	300.00
New Equipment	1,400.00

Some departments earn credits during the year for performing services, sale of material, work under State programs such as Town Road Aid and reimbursement from other Town Departments. Listed below are the departments and credits received:

Town Hall	\$ 79.45
Police Department	276.80
Town Maintenance	6,420.33
Public Welfare	541.08
Retirement & Social Security	3,070.22
Interest	250.33
Park Maintenance	197.00
Town Officers' Expense	202.73
Insurance	805.01
Street Lighting	41.00

\$11,883.95

TAX RATES

1962	\$4.35
1963	\$4.82
1964	\$5.35

Town Clerk's Report

The largest revenue item for the Town is derived from Motor Vehicle Permit fees collected by the Clerk. During the year the sum of \$20,076.96 was collected from this source and remitted to the Treasurer. This amount represents \$1,364.07 more than was collected in the year 1963. The increase is due to a greater number of vehicles registered.

Can it be that our canine population is declining? The sum of \$599.61 was collected in license fees compared with \$608.00 in 1963.

In the Vital Statistic Department 219 records of birth were recorded. Of this number 60 of the "blessed events" were for residents of Lancaster. It was my pleasure to record the birth records for the triplets born to Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Flynn. These are the first recordings of a triplet birth in Town.

Cupid was active as 29 marriage licenses were issued and recorded. Of the 96 records of death recorded, 51 of them were for local citizens.

MOTOR VEHICLE PERMIT INCOME

1959	\$16,279.00
1960	\$17,494.00
1961	\$19,395.00
1962	\$18,846.00
1963	\$18,713.00
1964	\$20,076.96



Reviewing stand at Bicentennial, U. S. Sen. Norris Cotton speaking.

Lancaster Bicentennial

Asked to take charge of Lancaster's Bi-Centennial observance, this committee assumed the purpose of such an observance should be threefold; first, an occasion to celebrate with old and new friends; second, to awaken the town to a deeper consciousness of its past; and third, to create for visitors a favorable impression of the community.

Thanks to tremendous enthusiasm, hard work and money expended by many, many people, we believe these purposes were realized.

It seems fair to say that no event in the town's history ever brought together a greater number of people who appeared to enjoy themselves more than during the July 4th week-end activities, which in turn must have impressed visitors with their evidence of the townspeople's taste, energy and creativeness. The town did itself proud with the excellent window displays, the amazing hobby and antique show, the supper on the park, the Bi-Centennial dance, the house and site tours, the children's parade and the big parade of floats.

While the Winter Holiday in February was participated in by fewer people, it resulted in a near half-hour of publicity on Mt. Washington TV that, according to reports from viewers in other areas, was worth far more than its actual cost. The ceremonies honoring the town's founders on Memorial Day were in keeping with

the second objective. The committee cooperated whenever possible with unrelated events, chief of which was the VFW State Convention held here in June which produced another excellent, though entirely different, parade and drum corps competition. The Bi-Centennial Queen appeared at many events through the year and it was a busy year, thanks in part to the pre-primary political activities.

Two interesting books were published relating to the Town's history, legends and landmarks, as well as a special edition of the Coos County Democrat, all invaluable results of Bi-Centennial research. The placing of signs on old houses and historic sites, the acquisition of national flags for public streets and buildings and many private residences were of lasting value.

The organization of an historical society hopefully looking toward the purchase of a permanent headquarters for display of local antiques and mementoes is another indirect result of the year's activities. Duplication of records kept by the Town's Historians with a view to bringing the Town History up to date is another example of residual benefits.

The amount of work and time put into these activities by many committees, organizations and individuals cannot be estimated by anyone, nor appreciated in one sense of the word. To appreciate also means to enhance in value, however, and we feel that all who contributed to the year's activities enhanced the community and appreciated themselves thereby.

Thanks are due to people from neighboring communities who joined in activities and we hope that such friendly cooperation be remembered with similar responses when occasions arise.

This committee tried to carry out its assignment to the best of its ability. We were honored by your trust in us. We hope you are not disappointed.

Hugh J. Galbraith, Chairman
Bi-Centennial Committee



Lancaster Teachers' Association Bicentennial float

RECEIPTS

Town Appropriation		\$4,449.37
Winter Holiday (3 days)		
Contributions	\$ 528.50	
General admission tags	611.60	
Motorized sled entry fees	120.00	
Coronation Ball tickets	430.00	
Receipts from Supper, Breakfast, and Lunches	322.98	
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Fourth of July weekend (4 days)		
Registration fees	262.75	
Concessions	231.00	
Contributions—Service Clubs, etc.	1,413.67	
Ball tickets	265.10	
Buffet Supper tickets	266.75	
Barbeque tickets	708.75	
Antique and Hobby Show tickets	446.60	
Bus and House Tours	171.50	
Sale of House Plaques	126.00	
Sale of Souvenirs	2,364.73	
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		\$12,719.30

EXPENDITURES

Incorporation, insurances, etc.		\$ 678.21	
Winter Holiday			
Advertising (newspapers, radio, TV)	\$ 757.26		
Photos, printing, electricity, phone, flares	224.77		
Basketball & Hockey games, skating exhibition	706.49		
Supplies for supper, breakfast, lunches	250.13		
Coronation incidentals, orchestra, decoration	190.77		
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Fourth of July weekend			
Advertising (newspapers, radio, TV)	\$ 530.96		
Photos, printing, electricity, phone, postage	555.86		
Fireworks, dance group, Vt. Hemlocks, luncheon	747.45		
Supplies for Supper	51.06		
Caterer, etc. for barbeque	647.20		
Orchestra, decoration for hall	297.37		
Flags & flowers for street decoration	1,307.60		
Antique and Hobby Show incidentals	13.50		
Bus Hire	30.00		
Materials for signs & house plaques	221.99		
Souvenirs & commemorative items	3,215.50		
Thophies, prizes, sound system: parade	227.62		
Bands (2 high school, 3 drum & bugle corps)	905.30		
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Chamber of Commere—Christmas		300.00	11,859.04
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			\$ 860.26
Balance in Savings Bank	\$200.00		
Balance in Checking Account	660.26		
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	\$860.26		
December 17, 1864			



General Government

Appropriated \$26,240.00

Expended \$28,053.14

Town Officers' Salaries

Expended \$12,180.50

The expenditure for General Government under Town Officers' Salaries covers the Salaries of nine elected officials and two appointed. The Salaries of the eleven officers, three Selectmen each receiving \$600.00, Town Clerk, Town Treasurer and Clerk of the Budget Committee (1) \$2,610.50, Town Manager \$6,000.00, Deputy Tax Collector \$1,560.00, Moderator (1) \$60.00 and Bookkeeper of Trust Funds \$150.00. A credit of \$1,000.00 was received from the Precinct towards the Manager's Salary.

Town Officers' Expense

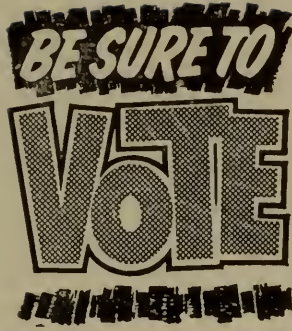
Expended \$4,855.00

Office supplies and expenses, including paper supplies, postage, printing of notices, the cost of printing the annual report, tax bills and telephone expenses were furnished from this account. Dues to municipal association and expenses to attend were paid, as well as the Manager's auto expense. The cost to audit all Town records and payments to the Register of Deeds for tax sale recordings were also furnished.

Town Buildings

Expended \$8,009.24

A new tile floor was laid in a conference room and toilet room, a large radiator was replaced in the entrance way of the town hall. A room was added in the court room for the judge, plus other improvements. Other general building maintenance was done. Custodian services and supplies were furnished, the cost of electricity, water and fuel were furnished.



Elections and Registrations

Expended \$1,130.90

Three elections were held this year, Town Meeting, Presidential Primary, biennial primary and biennial election. The cost of the town meeting was unusually high because of additional workers to assist with the several ballots that were used. Other costs include Supervisors' salaries, printing of the check lists, and advertising costs.

MUNICIPAL COURT

District Court

Appropriated \$2,100.00

Expended \$1,877.50

The Town operated under the Municipal Court until June 30th, when Lancaster became a District Court. While still a Municipal Court the town received from the court \$475.65. The cost of the court was \$350.00 for the Justice's salary.

The Lancaster District Court System was inaugurated July 1, 1964. The Lancaster District Court includes the Towns of Lancaster, Jefferson, Carroll, Whitefield, Dalton, Northumberland, Stark and Kilkenny. Although Whitefield and Northumberland still have a municipal court when the present justice retires they must then come into the district court.

The Lancaster District Court has as its Justice, Hon. Walter D. Hinkley, Associate Justice Hon. John Gormley (resigned) and its clerk, Mr. George Carter. The expenditure of \$1,877.50 was for salaries.

The operating expense of the court was \$144.81 which included supplies, witness fees, surety bond and Special Justice.

Receipts from fines and forfeits amount to \$4,384.79 which was disbursed, less operating expenses, Town of Lancaster \$1,754.20, N. H. Department of Safety \$2,176.22 and Fish and Game Department \$64.00. There is a balance of \$257.96 in the checking account.

Protection of Persons and Property

Appropriated \$30,621.92

Expended \$27,617.31

Insurance

Expended \$2,964.64

Insurance coverage is provided for losses from fires for the Town Buildings, coverage for Public Liability and theft. The Town has fleet coverage for all Town Equipment and Workmen's Compensation for all Town Employees. Bonds are provided for Town employees responsible for handling funds. Coverage is provided for the skating rink hut, and any properties taken by Tax Collector Deeds. A change in the insurance program resulted in a saving of \$798.81 with the same coverage.

Fire Department

Expended \$4,500.00

This expenditure represents the Town's financial support of the Fire Department for providing fire protection throughout the entire Town. The department is equipped to handle all types of fires with efficiency. A detailed report of the department's activities may be found in the Lancaster Fire Precinct Annual Report.

Civil Defense

Expended \$221.27

A new Civil Defense radio was purchased this year with the Federal paying one-half the cost. The shelter is now well equipped for an emergency. Government surplus items were purchased through the N. H. Distributing Agency, the cost is for transportation only.

Care of Trees

Expended \$1,372.99

Each year an appropriation is made for the Pine Blister Rust control. The control work is carried out by the State Forestry Division and financed by Federal, State and local government. The control work this year covered an area of 1030 acres and cost the town \$124.25 or approximately \$0.125 per acres worked.

The spraying program was discontinued this year in cooperation with the Governors in curtailing the use of DDT. It is expected to resume with the use of chemicals that are not harmful to bird life.

The Town receives the assistance of the State's Entomologist personnel in detecting Dutch Elm and the laboratory at the University of N. H. for testing samples taken from suspects. All costs for care and removal is by the Town.

Stumps in parks and on the roadside were removed to make the parks more attractive and remove roadside hazards. Several trees were replaced in Soldiers Park through the James L. Dow tree fund.



Police Department

Expended \$17,885.86

The Lancaster Police Department under its new Chief of Police F. Stetson Archibaldt, appointed Jan. 27, 1964, had an active year with many special events taking place. It has been the policy of the department to give the very best while enforcing law and order and at the same time to be courteous, fully aware that policemen can be the best public relations officers in town.

The department covered and investigated a total of 76 accidents involving motor vehicles.

Minor accidents under \$50.00 damage	27
Accidents over \$50.00 damage	42
Total wrecks	7
Persons treated by a doctor or hospital	24

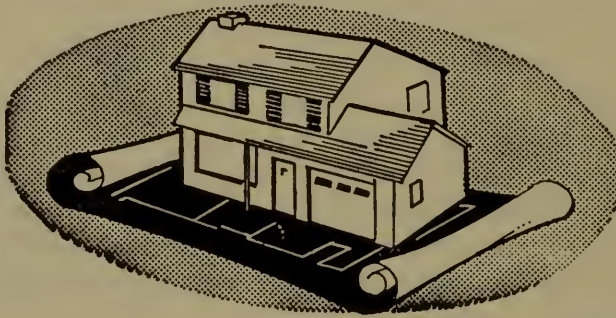
There were 178 outside requests, 183 complaints, many of which resulted in court action. Doors found open or unlocked 124, the owner notified, to secure them after discovery not matter what time of night. Other investigations include 8 missing persons, 1 accidental shooting, 38 dog complaints, including 5 dogs killed by cars and 15 blood runs were handled. Many warnings were issued for various minor violations.

Cases prosecuted through court:

Drunk and disorderly	17
Brawls	2
Illegal possession of beer	6
Illegal transportation of beer	2
Giving beer to minors	5
Statutory rape	2
Contributing to delinquency of minor	1
Larceny by check	2
Fraudulent checks	1
Derisive words	3
Assault on police officer	1
Failing to stop for police officer	1
Driving while intoxicated	10
Driving to endanger	3
Reckless operation	3
Speeding	31

Leaving scene of accident	1
Operating after revocation or suspension	6
Operating without a license	5
Operating an unregistered vehicle	4
Uninspected motor vehicle	2
Allowing unlicensed persons to operate	3
Yellow line violation	19
Failing to yield right of way	7
Stop sign violation	8
Passing on right	1
U-Turn violation	1
Throwing trash on highway	1
Operating without lights	1

The expenditure included salaries, and retirement contribution of the Chief, two regular officers and wages for Special Officers. The cost of a new cruiser and operating expense is included, plus telephone, supplies and other expense necessary for a department to properly function. Of the expenditure \$3,150.00 came from parking meter revenue.



Zoning

Expended \$186.60

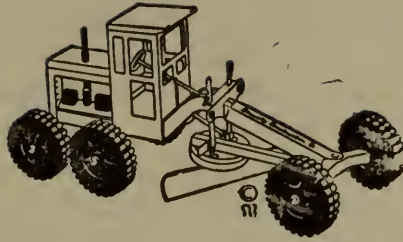
The expenditure paid the salaries of the Building Inspector and the Clerk of the Zoning Board of Adjustment as well as furnish supplies and pay the cost of hearing notices.

The Building Inspector received 22 applications for new buildings, mobile homes and additions and improvement, to existing structures. There were four permits that were denied and appeals made to the Zoning Board of Adjustment. The following permits were issued:

- 2 commercial properties
- 5 residential properties
- 6 mobile homes
- 2 additions and alterations commercial
- 7 additions and alterations residential

The Zoning Board of Adjustment heard four cases.

Three of these involved requests to locate mobile homes in a residential zone, all denied. A request to locate a garage within 10 feet of the property line was granted.



Public Works

Appropriated \$70,348.28

Expended \$70,936.85

Town Maintenance

Expended \$58,340.11

The Town Maintenance department is concerned with the maintenance and construction of all streets and roads, sidewalks, bridges, parks, dump, trees and many other services.

The department employs six full time employees, plus additional part time personnel as may be needed, whose responsibility includes the care and maintenance of three trucks, one grader, a front end loader and other equipment. The equipment was maintained in good operating condition with little or no down time. The maintenance work is done in the town garage where good tools and equipment are available. Some mechanical work is also done by the personnel.

A new truck was purchased and put into service for plowing and general highway use. The new vehicle replaces two other vehicles, one a gravel truck was traded in towards the new one and the other a 4-wheel drive plow that was used for plowing only. The plowing equipment was transferred to the new truck. The old truck will be sold and not replaced.

Improvements on the Martin Meadow Pond Road were continued, beginning at the Weeks Road and running to the public access to Martin Meadow Pond. The reconstruction included widening for improved travel, grade and drainage, culvert replacement and gravel fill. Curves were reduced in several areas and particularly a very blind turn was greatly improved. It was necessary to remove several yards of ledge to make these improvements which of course added greatly to the cost. Most of the material removed including the ledge was re-used as fill in two areas, one where a new 48 inch culvert was laid at the outlet of Martin Meadow Pond where the road was also relocated for a short distance, and in an area to reduce the grade of the road. The section is incomplete but is expected to be completed during 1965. The work is financed through the town road aid program where the State contributed over \$5,000.00 and the town \$748.25. The service of state engineers are available for assistance.

The department reconstructed sidewalks on Prospect St., Williams St., Bunker Hill St., Bridge St., Depot St., Canal St. and on Mechanic St. by the Town Building. The old walks were topped with asphalt except Prospect St. and part of Bridge St. where the old walks had to first be removed.

Several new culverts were installed to replace old and damaged ones. This year it was necessary to replace more than planned due to damage and movement by frost causing separation and drainage troubles. Where possible the culverts are placed at lower depths for improved drainage and protection from damage of graders, plows and frost.

Approximately four miles of streets and one mile of rural roads were resurfaced with asphalt. Other streets and rural sections were kept in good condition by patching holes as they occur with asphalt cold patch from the stock pile that is mixed by the department.

All rural graveled roads were chlorided for compaction, improved maintenance, travel and dust control. Gravel was added where needed and roads were frequently graded. Ditching of roads was done where needed for improved drainage.

All 40 miles of streets, roads and all parking lots were plowed, salted, and sanded as needed. Snow was removed from Main St. after each storm and certain other streets as needed where hazardous conditions exist due to accumulation of snow and because of drainage problems. All sidewalks were plowed and sanded as needed.

Additional snow fence was added this year to reduce drifting in certain areas.

The town garage was heated, lighted and maintained as was necessary.

Street Lighting

Expended \$11,348.49

The expenditure includes \$11,102.81 for the cost of normal street lighting. North Main Street lighting was completed this year and a change on part of Middle St. improved those sections.

The cost of the Christmas lighting is the balance of the expenditure.

Sewer Construction

Expended \$500.00

New manholes and catch basins were constructed in various areas of the system.

Public Welfare

Appropriated \$12,000.00

Expended \$11,413.47

Town Welfare

Expended \$2,657.17

The Town Welfare program is administered by the Overseer of Public Welfare and is financed locally. Persons who become poor and need financial assistance who can qualify, may receive certain assistance. There were 8 cases during 1964 including 9 adults and 3 children. Of these 2 were hospital cases that resulted in the largest portion of the expenditure. A credit of \$511.00 was received through reimbursements. Improved unemployment laws and employee benefits have attributed greatly in keeping the cost of welfare to a minimum.

Government surplus foods are now distributed from the County Court House and are available to qualifying persons. A person does not need to be on welfare to qualify under this program.

State Welfare Assistance

\$8,756.30

This program is administered by the State Department of Welfare and is financed jointly by Federal, State and local governments. The expenditure is Lancaster's share to Lancaster persons over the age of 65 years eligible to receive Old Age Assistance and to persons totally and permanently disabled who need financial assistance.

PUBLIC WELFARE COSTS

1959	\$10,851.09
1960	\$9,369.33
1961	\$10,129.18
1962	\$10,894.88
1963	\$12,728.77
1964	\$11,413.47



Children in the Bicentennial celebration, including prize winners.





Groveton High School Band in Bicentennial Parade



Senior Girl Scout Troop with many flags



Parks and Recreation

Appropriated \$2,700.00

Expended \$2,668.79

Parks Maintenance

Expended \$668.79

The Town paid the maintenance costs of all the parks, except Cross Park which is paid from the Colonel Cross Trust Fund with the Town performing the work. Maintenance included mowing of the grass, mulching leaves and furnishing flowers and benches. Several tree stumps were removed from the parks and the holes filled and seeded. Many local people and several visitors enjoy the use of these parks.

Swimming Pool

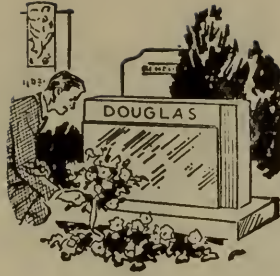
Expended \$1,200.00

This expenditure assisted in the operation of the swimnings pool carried on by the Col. Town program. A full report of the pool's operation will be found inthe report of Col. F. L. Town Spending Committee.

Band Concerts

Expended \$800.00

This amount provided free band concerts during the summer. The expenditure included costs for musicians, public address system, electricity and minor expenses for telephone, postage or bank service charges.



Municipal Cemeteries

Appropriated \$2,000.00

Expended \$2,000.00

The expenditure represents the amount the Town raised for the Maintenance of Municipal Cemeteries, the remainder of the cost comes from Trust Funds, left the Town. The cemeteries include Summer Street, Wilder, Main Street and No. 10 on the Martin Meadow Pond Road. The following is the financial report of the Cemeteries:

Balance — January 1, 1964

\$ 1,640.56

Receipts During Year:

Burials	\$1,083.00	
Sale of Lots	2,945.00	
Care of Lots	1,119.00	
Income from Trust Funds	6,771.11	
Town Appropriation	2,000.00	
Winter Vault Rental	60.00	
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		\$15,618.67

Expenditures During Year:

Wages	\$8,121.78	
Social Security and Retirement	273.51	
Repairs	33.11	
Supplies	682.68	
Equipment and Equipment Rental	1,314.79	
Water and Power	53.43	
Flowers and Plants	328.85	
Tarring Roads	280.00	
Lot Development & Grounds Improvements	1,899.55	
Insurance	63.54	
Trust Funds	1,550.00	
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Balance — December 31, 1964

\$ 1,017.43



Weeks Memorial Library

Appropriated \$7,378.09

Expended \$7,378.09

The Town appropriated this sum for the operation of the Weeks Memorial Library. Included in the expenditure are the salaries of the Librarians, Books, Supplies and expenses of the building. The salary of the Children's Librarian is given by the Col. Town Spending Committee. Following are the reports of the Librarians and the Treasurer:

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT—1964

The adult department of the library has purchased over 475 new books this past year to add to its collection. Over half of these books were in the non-fiction category, being titles on many and varied subjects as well as new scientific and historical encyclopedias and atlases for the use of students who continue to rely heavily on the reference collection of the library for help in their school work.

Much work has been done this year in weeding out old and little used material on the shelves. Over 500 old and seldom circulated books have been discarded, leaving room for the new material being constantly bought to keep up with the ever changing times.

A very attractive new sign was purchased and placed in front of the library building, giving the days and hours that the library is open. It has been a great convenience to both townspeople and to tourists who wish to use our facilities.

A new grey tile floor has been installed in the stack room, office and back hall, making it much neater and brighter in the back part of the building. Also new shelves have been built in the hall for the storage of back issues of papers and magazines.

BARBARA G. MILLER
Librarian

Trustees:

Chairman: Sinclair Weeks
Treasurer: Harold S. Mountain
Secretary: Ethel McCarten



1964 REPORT — JUVENILE LIBRARIAN

The children's department continues its usefulness as shown by the increase in number of borrowers and circulation. The most marked increase in circulation is the "beginning to read" group.

Our children's books cover a large range in age and interest, and every effort is made to maintain an adequate supply at all levels.

There is close cooperation with the school and large classroom collections are supplied, thereby reaching children who are not regular borrowers.

At the beginning of the school year, each teacher with his class, visited the department where instruction in library usage and etiquette was given, and all pupils were introduced to new selected books.

The Bookmobile's regular visits continue to provide the opportunity of borrowing books not owned by the library.

To meet the needs of our growing book collection, two double bookcases have been added.

This department is used extensively during the summer months by student visitors who make very favorable comments on the service and book collection.

The library appreciates the publicity given each week in The Coos County Democrat, by Mrs. Iris Baird and Mrs. Patricia Sanborn, and also to Mr. Clinton L. White for his cooperation and his gift each year of a bound copy of The Coos County Democrat.

The children's library offers your children a library which is attractive and easy to use. It's your library and inspection is invited.

ELIZABETH L. CURRIE
Librarian

TREASURER'S REPORT
Year Ending December 31, 1964

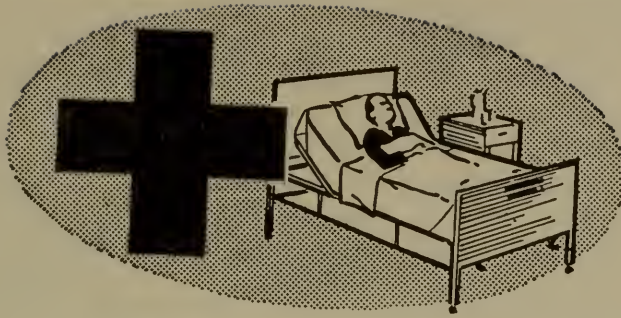
Receipts:

Balance on hand January 1, 1964	\$ 320.91	
Received from:		
American Heritage Refund	10.40	
Brackett Fund	6.04	
Hastings Bond	38.60	
Fines	87.00	
Col. Town Fund	950.00	
Trust Funds	919.52	
Town of Lancaster	7,378.09	
Second Hand Typewriter	20.00	
	<hr/>	\$9,730.56

Expenditures:

Salaries	\$3,593.46	
Substitutes	892.45	
Water Rent	30.00	
Heat	571.11	
Insurance	184.43	
Supplies (office & janitor)	355.06	
Lights & Telephone	331.77	
Maintenance	570.37	
Social Security	173.69	
Bank Service Charge	10.30	
Books—Adult	1,589.32	
Books—Juvenile	785.14	
Periodicals	96.30	
Dues	8.00	
	<hr/>	\$9,191.40

Jan. 1, 1964—Balance on check book	\$ 539.16
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Health

Appropriated \$11,544.43

Expended \$11,541.18

Public Health Nursing & Dental Clinic

Expended \$2,544.43

The expenditure represents the Town's share for the Public Health Nursing. The Public Health nurse is also the school nurse. Following is the report of the Public Health Nursing program:

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING

Service through the ages (to young and old) well described the scope of Public Health Nursing in the generalized program. The goal being better health for all people. Public Health Nursing is family centered being concerned with each member of the family unit which is the foundation of the community.

Health Services for the pre-school child includes giving confidence to parents of first babies which is as important as a demonstration of how to bathe and dress the infant or make the formula and answer questions they may have about the doctor's program for the infant.

Protection against smallpox, diphtheria, whooping cough, tetanus and polio through immunization is a continuing program. Only through infant immunization with the proper boosters for children and adults is the protection of the community complete.

The health of the school age child is provided for in the School Health Program. This includes screening for visual and audio defects, weighing and measuring for growth development and health evaluation for four grades and kindergarten pupils. The latter includes the physical examination by one of the school physicians, urinalysis for glucose and albumin, hemoglobin determination and a heaf test for tuberculoss, after written permission is obtained from the parents. Any defects found are reported to the parents and they are urged to seek medical advice for correction. It also provides for daily observation for communicable disease by school personnel and care of emergency illnesses and accidents.

The continued interest of our teachers in the health of their students and their cooperation has made the work of the school nurse more effective than would be otherwise possible. Especially so in view of our expanding enrollment.

An addition to the School Health Program this year has been the Dental Program, under the sponsorship of the Dental Health Committee and with the fine cooperation of Dr. Perreault. We started with the corrective work for the students in the first grade who were not receiving regular dental care and plan to expand the program as time and funds permit.

The Speech Program, which was started last year on a ten week trial basis under the sponsorship of the PHNC through donations from interested persons and clubs, has continued this year through the sponsorship of the PTA and under the direction of Mrs. Barbara Reed, Speech Therapist. This has proved to be a very worthwhile program with many children receiving help in the correction of speech defects.

A Home Nursing course for Junior and Senior girls was conducted by Miss Eleanor Kenney, R. N. with 12 girls from the Home Economics class completing the course.

Bedside nursing care is provided through the bedside program. This is carried out under orders from the family physician and includes bedside care, giving of medications and such treatments as may be needed.

Other health services include help in planning for care of ill persons at home and obtaining needed equipment, referrals to other agencies and obtaining help to meet family emergencies.

The chest X-ray unit was here in June to do chest films on referrals from physicians and on students with positive Heaf reactions.

Child Health Station

During the past year, 12 sessions of the Child Health Station have been held. These were sponsored by the Mahaney-Brisson American Legion Post with assistance from the Col. Town Spending Committee. Mrs. Leonard James of the Legion Auxiliary has given her usual devoted service and attended all but one of the stations.

Each of the local physicians has assisted with this program. It provides an opportunity for any child under school age to receive physical examinations, immunization against whooping cough, tetanus, diphtheria and polio. Mothers may discuss any problem with the attending physician. Conditions requiring follow-up are referred to the family physician.

No. of C. H. S. held	12
Total attendance	145
D. P. T. Immunizations	120
Sabin Oral Polio Vaccine	80

Visits Giving Health Services

Health Supervision	130
Antepartum	2
Postpartum	2
Arthritis	2
Cerebral vascular accident	1
Convulsive Disorder	3
Crippled	66
Mental Health	22
Mentally Retarded	17
Undiagnosed	2
Other	119
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Total	366

Referrals:

State Department of Health	
Orthopedic Clinic	31 visits
Other crippled children's services	16
Pediatric Diagnostic Clinic	7
Cleft Palate Clinic	1
Child Guidance Clinic	8
Cardiac Clinic	3
State Department of Welfare	
Sight Conservation	10 visits

I would like to take this opportunity to express my thanks to the Public Health Nursing Committee, the Medical Advisory Board, the School Administration and other school personnel, and Miss Kenney, State Public Health Nurse, for their assistance, guidance and support this past year. In addition to the above I would like to express sincere appreciation to Mr. Stanley Tufts, school principal, for his splendid interest and cooperation in the School Health Program.

EDITH R. HODGE, R. N.
Public Health Nurse

Health Officer **Expended \$200.00**

Dr. James A. Ferguson, Lancaster Health Officer as always answered many health calls throughout the year ranging from complaints concerning certain animals to unsanitary conditions existing in or near homes. The appropriation covers his salary.

Sewer Maintenance **Expended \$2,499.62**

This expenditure represents the cost of maintenance of sewers such as unplugging stopped sewers, chemicals, and preventive maintenance through flushing of sewer lines. The work is done by the precinct forces and reimbursed by the Town. This account also furnished the necessary equipment.

Town Dump and Garbage Removal **Expended \$2,956.13**

The Collection of Garbage each Saturday morning costs \$11,-350.00, the work is under contract. The operation of the Town dump, with one part-time employee and other maintenance, including rat eradication, cost \$1,606.13.

Vital Statistics **Expended \$341.00**

The cost represented the cost of recording of all vital statistics by the Town Clerk. For a more detailed report consult the Town Clerk's Report.

Weeks Memorial Hospital **Expended \$3,000.00**

The Town of Lancaster appropriates the above expenditure for assistance in the operation of the Weeks Memorial Hospital. Other Towns in the area also appropriate a proportionate amount.

Appropriated \$8,775.00

Expended \$9,038.08

Long Term Notes and Interest

Expended \$7,575.00

The amount of \$7,000.00 paid the principal payment on three notes, retiring one which was borrowed for the purchase of a front end loader. No new notes were issued during the year. A schedule of the remaining notes appears on the following page. The interest cost \$575.00 for 1964.

Temporary Loan Interest

Expended \$1,463.07

This year the Town borrowed \$125,000.00 in anticipation of tax receipts. It is necessary to borrow funds each year until tax money is received. Early payments on taxes could eliminate this borrowing. Some of the funds were invested for a short term to earn interest. Earnings of \$238.00 was realized from these investments.

	Highway Garage 3½%	Equipment Notes 3¼%				
Amt. of Issue	\$6,500.00	\$17,500.00				
Date of Issue	June 13, 1958	June 18, 1962				
Prin. Pay- able Date	June 12	June 18				
Int. Payable Dates	June 12 & Dec. 13	June 18 & Dec. 18				
Payable at	Lancaster National Bank	Lancaster National Bank				
Maturities—					Total	
Fiscal Year Ending:	Prin.	Int.	Prin.	Int.	Prin.	Int.
Dec. 31, '65	\$500.00	\$8.75	\$ 3,000.00	\$400.50	\$ 3,500.00	\$409.25
Dec. 31, '66			3,000.00	288.00	3,000.00	288.00
Dec. 31, '67			3,000.00	150.00	3,000.00	150.00
Dec. 31, '68			2,500.00	46.88	2,500.00	46.88
	\$500.00	\$8.75	\$11,500.00	\$885.38	\$11,500.00	\$894.13

Unclassified

Appropriated \$3,424.28

Expended \$2,835.06

Information Booth

Expended \$1,194.43

People from many parts of the world patronized the Lancaster Information Booth. The register shows visitors as far away as Australia and Japan. Although not many of these but with the emphasis on our Canadian neighbors, mostly from Ontario and Quebec. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sheridan said they started off with a bang with a fine July but owing to the weather, August fell short of what they usually had. Mrs. (Glenn) Sheridan said we had some very delightful people and it was a pleasure to meet them and extol the beauties of our White Mountains. The comments on the attractiveness of our town did much to gladden our hearts and convince us that we have something here in Lancaster that appeals to the traveler from far-away places. It bolsters our own opinion that there is no place like Lancaster, the Shire Town of Coos County.

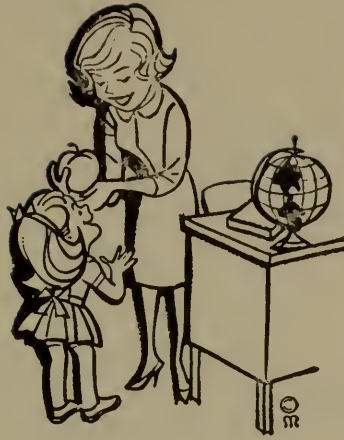
There were 6,619 people in 2,263 cars that stopped at the booth.

The White Mountains Region Association received \$724.28 of the expenditure representing the Town's share to help support the organization. The Association is supported by the Towns in the region, by private and business people and by the State Planning and Development Commission. The Association through its Executive Secretary does promotional work of the region, by distribution of literature, guide show and by the Secretary attending shows throughout the United States and Canada. The Association continued their work in the field of Commerce and Vacation Travel, Manufacturing, and Crafts, Agriculture, Natural Resources and Industrial Development. Additional information may be obtained by contacting the White Mountains Regional Office at 5 Middle St., Lancaster.

Town Folder

Expended \$316.35

A reprint of the town folder for the Bi-Centennial year with the words Bi-Centennial year printed on the face was made available. These folders are distributed widely throughout the eastern section of the country and several other sections. Distribution is done through the Information Booth and through efforts of the Chamber of Commerce. Folders are also handled through the Town Office and copies may be obtained there.



Schools

The Town Treasurer transferred \$182,465.30 to the School Department during the year. Of this amount \$120,662.39 represented the balance of 1963-1964 school appropriation, which has been carried forward as of January 1, 1964. Complete details on the operation of the school system may be found in the White Mountain Regional School report.

County Tax

The Town appropriated and turned over to the County Treasurer a total of \$21,934.57. This represents Lancaster's share of the operation of the County Government. Copies of the County Report may be obtained from the Town Office.

Reserve Funds

This year \$3,000.00 was put in reserve as a depreciation account to replace the heavier equipment in the Highway Department. It is the feeling of the Town Officials that it is by far the most practical way of replacing the Town's more expensive equipment, such as the Front end loader and the grader.

It is the wish of the Officials to continue this policy so future borrowing of money for the purpose of exchanging heavy equipment will not be necessary and the cost of interest will be eliminated.

There is now deposited with the Trustee of Trust Funds \$7,980.80 which includes \$480.80 interest.

Report of Trust Funds

For the Year ended December 31, 1964

Cash on hand December 31, 1963	\$	894.01
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Receipts

Income from Investments		10,374.01
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	\$	11,268.02
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Expenditures

Summer Street Cemetery—

Cemetery Trust	\$3,656.61
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Stevens Trust	3,403.90
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	\$7,060.51
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Rev. Leo P. Gilbert	583.76
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Town of Lancaster—Care of Cross Park	150.00
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Treasurer, Weeks Memorial Library	962.79
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Treasurer, Lancaster School District	113.82
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Treasurer, Emmons S. Smith Fund	1,182.99
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Mrs. Glenn S. Sheridan—Historical Fund	36.68
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Miss Adelaide T. Monahan—Dow Tree Fund	224.75
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	10,315.30
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Cash on hand December 31, 1964	\$	952.72
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ASSETS

Deposits

Cheshire County Savings Bank, Keene, N. H.	\$ 2,000.00
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Siwooganock Guaranty Savings Bank, Lancaster, N. H.	77,262.31
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Lancaster National Bank, Lancaster, N. H.	952.72
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	\$ 80,215.03
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Bonds

3,000.00 U. S. Treasury Bonds 2½% due 12/15/68	3,000.00
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5,000.00 U. S. Treasury Bonds 2½% due 6/15/69	5,000.00
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1,000.00 U. S. Treasury Bonds 2½% due 12/15/69	1,000.00
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3,500.00 U. S. Treasury Bonds 2½% due 6/15/72	3,500.00
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9,500.00 U. S. Treasury Bonds 3½% due 11/15/80	9,735.91
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10,000.00 U. S. Treasury Bonds 4% due 2/15/69	10,025.57
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2,000.00 Niagara Mohawk Power Co.

4½% due 11/1/91

1,997.50

34,258.98

Stocks

10 shs. Central Maine Power Co. 3.50% Pfd.	957.50	
491 shs. Chase Manhattan Bank, New York	9,274.05	
220 shs. Consumers Power Co. Common	8,876.30	
328 shs. Continental Illinois National Bank and Trust Company, Chicago	5,353.96	
1698 shs. Eaton & Howard Balanced Fund	8,139.68	
2073 shs. Fidelity Fund, Inc.	7,058.61	
184 shs. First National Bank, Boston	6,798.12	
40 shs. First National City Bank, New York	1,615.85	
110 shs. Home Insurance Company	4,287.50	
7 shs. Lancaster National Bank, Lancaster	875.00	
478 shs. Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co., New York	9,943.22	
66 shs. Morgan Guaranty Trust Co., New York	2,961.32	
1307 shs. National Investors Corporation	4,375.42	
837 shs. Nation Wide Securities Co., Inc.	7,661.94	
300 shs. New York State Electric & Gas Co. Common	12,870.75	
100 shs. Pacific Gas & Electric Co. 5% 1st Pfd.	2,587.50	
35 shs. Public Service Co. of N. H. 3.35% Pfd.	3,290.00	
6 shs. Siwooganock Guaranty Savings Bank, Lancaster	600.00	
		97,526.72
Total Assets		\$212,000.73

LIABILITIES

Cemetery Trust—Principal	\$ 87,598.79
Cemetery Trust—Unexpended Income	1,258.58
Helen Wilder Cross Dennison Trust—Principal	2,631.57
Helen Wilder Cross Dennison Trust—Unexpended Income	1,198.51
George M. Stevens Trust—Principal	60,113.61
Library Trust—Principal	10,735.35
School Trust—Principal	2,153.95
Emmons S. Smith Trust—Principal	14,800.25
Historical Trust—Principal	1,000.00
James L. Dow Tree Fund—Principal	5,000.00
James L. Dow Tree Fund—Unexpended Income	254.21
Capital Reserve Fund—Town of Lancaster—Principal	7,980.80
Capital Reserve Fund—Lancaster Fire Precinct—Principal	17,275.11
Total Liabilities	\$212,000.73

TRUST FUND RECORD

Cemetery Trust

Principal, December 31, 1963	\$85,148.79	
Unexpended Income, December 31, 1963	1,258.58	
	<hr/>	\$ 86,407.37
Receipts		
New Trust Funds	2,450.00	
Income from Investments	4,240.37	
	<hr/>	6,690.37
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		\$ 93,097.74
Expenditures		
Summer Street Cemetery	3,656.61	
Rev. Leo P. Gilbert	583.76	
	<hr/>	4,240.37
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		\$ 88,857.37
Principal, December 31, 1964	87,598.79	
Unexpended Income, December 31, 1964	1,258.58	
	<hr/>	\$ 88,857.37

Helen Wilder Cross Dennison Trust

Principal, December 31, 1963	\$ 2,631.57	
Unexpended Income, December 31, 1963	1,146.65	
	<hr/>	\$ 3,778.22
Receipts		
Income from Investments		201.86
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		3,980.08
Expenditures		
Town of Lancaster		150.00
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		3,830.08
Principal, December 31, 1964	2,631.57	
Unexpended Income, December 31, 1964	1,198.51	
	<hr/>	\$ 3,830.08

George M. Stevens Trust

Principal, December 31, 1963	\$ 60,113.61	
Receipts		
Income from Investments		3,403.90
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		63,517.51

Expenditures	
Summer Street Cemetery	3,403.90
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	\$ 60,113.61
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Principal, December 31, 1964	\$ 60,113.61

Library Trust

Luella Joslin Fund	\$ 1,000.00
Laura Johnson Fund	2,864.73
Jacob Benton	250.62
George M. Stevens Fund	5,000.00
Annette Jeffers Fund	120.00
Clara M. Kimball Fund	500.00
Minerva S. Congdon Fund	1,000.00
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	\$ 10,735.35
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Principal, December 31, 1963	\$ 10,735.35

Receipts

Income from Investments	962.79
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	\$ 11,698.14

Expenditures

Treasurer, Weeks Memorial Library	962.79
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	\$ 10,735.35
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Principal, December 31, 1964	\$ 10,735.35

School Trust

Chapin C. Brooks Fund	\$ 2,153.95
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Principal, December 31, 1963	\$ 2,153.95

Receipts

Income from Investments	113.82
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	\$ 2,267.77

Expenditures

Treasurer, Lancaster School District	113.82
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	\$ 2,153.95
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Principal, December 31, 1964	\$ 2,153.95

Emmons S. Smith Trust

Principal, December 31, 1963	\$ 14,800.25
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Receipts	
Income from Investments	1,182.99
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	15,983.24
Expenditures	
Treasurer, Emmons S. Smith Fund	1,182.99
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	\$ 14,800.25
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Principal, December 31, 1964	\$ 14,800.25
Historical Trust	
K. B. Fletcher Fund	\$ 1,000.00
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Principal, December 31, 1963	\$ 1,000.00
Receipts	
Income from Investments	36.68
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	\$ 1,036.68
Expenditures	
Mrs. Glenn S. Sheridan	36.68
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Principal, December 31, 1964	\$ 1,000.00
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	\$ 1,000.00
James L. Dow Tree Fund	
Principal, December 31, 1963	\$5,000.00
Unexpended Income. December 31, 1963	247.36
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	\$ 5,247.36
Receipts	
Income from Investments	231.60
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	\$ 5,478.96
Expenditures	
Adelaide T. Monahan, Unity Club Chairman	224.75
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	\$ 5,254.21
Principal, December 31, 1964	\$5,000.00
Unexpended Income, December 31, 1964	254.21
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	\$ 5,254.21
Capital Reserve Fund—Town of Lancaster	
Principal, December 31, 1963	\$ 4,836.42
Receipts	
Town of Lancaster	\$3,000.00

Income from Investments	144.38	
	<hr/>	3,144.38
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		\$ 7,980.80
Expenditures		0
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Principal, December 31, 1964		\$ 7,980.80
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		\$ 7,980.80

Capital Reserve Fund—Lancaster Fire Precinct

Principal, December 31, 1963 \$ 13,750.23

Receipts

Lancaster Fire Precinct	\$3,000.00	
Income from Investments	524.88	
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		\$ 17,275.11

Expenditures

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		\$ 17,275.11
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Principal, December 31, 1964		\$ 17,275.11

Respectfully submitted,

SINCLAIR WEEKS

DAN O'BRIEN

R. W. McCAIG

**Trustees of Trust Funds
Town of Lancaster, N. H.**

Col. F. L. Town Trust Fund

For the Year Ended December 31, 1964

Investments, December 31, 1963		\$672,506.94
Income from Investments		38,354.64
Profit on Securities (Net)		312.50
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		\$711,174.08
Paid to F. L. Town Spending Committee	\$ 38,067.39	
Administration Expenses	287.25	
Investments, December 31, 1964	672,819.44	
	<hr/>	\$711,174.08
Original Trust Fund—1926		\$355,022.50
Profits		336,977.50
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		\$692,000.00
Losses		19,180.56
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		\$672,819.44

Respectfully submitted,
RAYMOND J. CARR
Treasurer

INVESTMENTS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1964

Deposits

Siwooganock Guaranty Savings Bank, Lancaster, N. H. \$ 4,590.80

Bonds

8,000. U. S. Treasury Bonds $3\frac{3}{4}\%$ due 8/15/68	\$ 8,000.00
16,000. U. S. Treasury Bonds $2\frac{1}{2}\%$ due 6/15/69	16,000.00
8,000. U. S. Treasury Bonds $2\frac{1}{2}\%$ due 3/15/71	8,000.00
7,000. U. S. Treasury Bonds 4% due 8/15/72	7,000.00
25,000. U. S. Treasury Bonds $4\frac{1}{8}\%$ due 11/15/73	25,000.00
7,500. U. S. Treasury Bonds $3\frac{7}{8}\%$ due 11/15/74	7,500.00
23,000. U. S. Treasury Bonds $3\frac{1}{2}\%$ due 2/15/90	23,000.00
20,000. U. S. Treasury Bonds $3\frac{1}{2}\%$ due 11/15/98	20,000.00
25,000. Dominion of Canada, Int. $4\frac{1}{4}\%$ due 9/1/72	21,361.11
15,000. Federal National Mortgage Association $4\frac{1}{8}\%$ due 9/10/70	15,000.00
16,000. Northern Indiana Public Service Co. $4\frac{1}{2}\%$ due 4/15/93	16,000.00
20,000. Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co. $5\frac{1}{8}\%$ due 8/1/80	20,000.00
15,000. Philadelphia Electric Co. 5% due 10/1/89	15,000.00

20,000. Southern California Edison Co.	
4 $\frac{3}{4}$ % due 7/1/82	20,000.00
10,000. Southern Pacific Co. 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % due 5/1/69	10,000.00
10,000. Southern Pacific Company—Oregon Lines	
4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % due 3/1/77	10,000.00
	<hr/> \$241,861.11

Stocks

100 shs. Central Maine Power Co.	
3.50% Cum. Pfd.	\$ 9,575.00
405 shs. Central-Penn Nat'l Bk., Philadelphia	15,704.50
700 shs. Cincinnati Gas & Elec. Co. Common	15,914.63
50 shs. Consumers Power Co. \$4.50 Cum. Pfd.	4,331.25
400 shs. Consumers Power Co. Common	14,542.46
1600 shs. Continental Illinois National Bank	
& Trust Company, Chicago	15,500.00
263 shs. Continental Insurance Company	16,482.57
600 shs. Duquense Light Company Common	17,776.88
3523 shs. Eaton & Howard Balanced Fund	17,197.57
250 shs. Federal National Mortgage Assn.	19,505.08
750 shs. Fidelity-Philadelphia Trust Co., Phila.	21,813.00
463 shs. First National Bank, Boston	16,647.96
404 shs. First National City Bank, New York	16,857.26
1292 shs. First Pennsylvania Banking &	
Trust Co., Philadelphia	21,090.19
800 shs. Great American Insurance Company	16,125.00
466 shs. Investors Selective Fund, Inc.	4,974.84
1379 shs. Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co.,	
New York	27,840.49
330 shs. Morgan Guaranty Trust Co.,	
New York	13,350.00
1375 shs. Nation Wide Securities Co., Inc.	16,460.26
433 shs. New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	19,397.80
300 shs. Ohio Edison Company Common	13,926.00
912 shs. Pittsburgh Nat'l Bk., Pittsburgh, Pa.	7,960.31
150 shs. Public Service Co. of N. H.	
3:55% Cum. Pfd.	14,400.00
900 shs. Southern California Edison Co.	
Common	23,853.22
600 shs. Union Electric Company Common	14,441.07
660 shs. Wisconsin Electric Power Co.	
Common	16,152.19
800 shs. Wisconsin Public Service Co.	
Common	14,548.00
	<hr/> 426,367.53
Total Investments	<hr/> \$672,819.44

Col. F. L. Town Spending Committee

SECRETARY'S REPORT

To Dr. James A. Ferguson, Chairman
Col. Town Spending Committee:

The Col. Town Spending Committee is comprised of the following members: Dr. James A. Ferguson, Mrs. Margaret Guilmette, Attorney Robert Rich, Mr. George E. Hunter, Jr., Mr. Charles Bennett, Mrs. Grace Lee, Mrs. Priscilla Evans, Mr. Arthur Drake and Mrs. Nathalie Wheeler. Three members were re-elected at the annual town meeting, i. e. Mrs. Priscilla Evans, Mr. George Hunter, Jr. and Mr. Arthur Drake.

Officers elected at the March meeting of the committee were: Chairman, Dr. James A. Ferguson; Treasurer, Mrs. Margaret Guilmette; Secretary, Mrs. Nathalie Wheeler.

The following Committees were appointed by the Chairman:

House Committee: Mrs. Margaret Guilmette, Chr., Charles Bennett, Mrs. Grace Lee.

Camp Committee: George E. Hunter, Jr., Chr., Mrs. Priscilla Evans, Robert Rich.

Field Committee: Arthur Drake, Chr., Dr. J. A. Ferguson, Mrs. Nathalie Wheeler.

Scholarship Committee: Robert Rich Chr., George E. Hunter, Jr., Robert Snell.

Six committee meetings were held during the year to consider requests from various organizations and clubs for assistance in carrying out their programs which pertain mainly to the youth of the community, i. e. funds for ski lessons to the Mt. Prospect Ski Club; for skating rink and playground sponsored by Kiwanis Club; Lancaster Child Health Station, administered by the American Legion Mahaney-Brisson Post Child Welfare program; Lancaster High School prizes and others as listed in the Treasurer's Report. The committee received reports of expenditures of previous appropriations and all requests were given careful consideration with suitable appropriations made whenever possible.

The committee participated in the Bicentennial celebration with the Community House the scene of various activities connected with the Bi-centennial year. Several flags, representing those flown in the State of New Hampshire over the years, were purchased for the parade and are on permanent display at the Community House.

The annual Pops Concert by the Harry van Haam Ensemble was presented in September under the sponsorship of the Ladies Hospital Auxiliary of the B. D. Weeks Memorial Hospital.

The Committee and the town continue to be served by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Snell at the Community House, Camp and Field in their usually friendly and competent manner. We wish to thank them and their co-workers.

NATHALIE B. WHEELER
Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT

Report for year ended December 31, 1964

Receipts:

Balance on hand, January 1, 1964	\$ 1,238.62
Col. F. L. Town Trust Fund	54,318.82
Community Camp	270.13
House	308.70
Swimming Pool, including \$1200 from town	2,856.38
Rebate on Insurance	437.49
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Total Receipts	\$59,430.14

Expenditures:

Appropriations:

Kiwanis Club Skating Rink	\$ 2,000.00
Mt. Prospect Ski Club	815.00
Explorer Troop—Boy Scouts	200.00
Child Health Station	400.00
B. Weeks Mem'l Hospital—linens	2,500.00
Lancaster Girl Scouts	400.00
Float for Bi-Centennial—building and decorating	677.63
VFW—Bands for convention	300.00
Speech Therapy	150.00
Recreation program—equipment & salary of director	876.47
Lancaster High School—prizes	590.00
Flowers for house during bi-centennial	38.75
Troop 219—Boy Scouts	950.00
Hary van Haam—concert and tuning	215.00
Flowers for Col. Town lot	89.00
Lancaster Historical Society	1,000.00
Public Health Nursing Service	75.00
Kiwanis Playground	180.00
Col. Town Scholarship Fund	1,000.00
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Total:	\$13,406.85

House:

Telephone and Lights	\$ 940.13
Fuel	1,420.20
Repairs—plumbing, TV, electrical & screens	140.60
Supplies—soaps, disinfectants, brooms, brushes, waxes, bowling	372.82
Salaries of employees	9,730.00

Total:	\$13,379.14
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Field:

Gas, oil, tires, repairs on truck	\$ 353.84
Supplies—paint, lime, lumber, etc.	254.13
Labor	41.62
Salaries of employees	1,100.00

Total:	\$ 1,749.59
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Community Camp:

Telephone and electricity	\$ 174.16
Lumber	256.79
Labor on grills and bridges	506.50
Supplies	45.72
Fuel	33.80
Salary of caretakers	1,470.00

Total:	\$ 2,486.97
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Swimming Pool:

Salaries	\$ 2,715.00
Lumber and labor	109.13
Supplies—rope, algae, dicalite, chlorine etc.	543.16
Electricity	188.76
Emblems and tickets	34.13
Fuel	29.75
Pump	210.32
New swim suits for team	139.90

Total:	\$ 3,970.15
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Miscellaneous:

Insurance	\$ 602.09
Water rent	183.00
Subscription to Globe, stamps, secretary and treasurer bonus, tax return, flowers for funerals, gift	374.50
Social Security and pensions	1,017.63

Total:	\$ 2,267.22
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Total Disbursements:	\$37,259.92
Balance on check book, Dec. 31, 1964	22,170.22
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Total	\$59,430.14

Respectfully submitted,
MARGARET P. GUILMETTE
Treasurer

COL. TOWN SCHOLARSHIP FUND
1964

Balance January 1964	\$ 781.24
Interest to Jan. 1, 1965	26.24
Payments on Loans	270.00
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Total	\$1,077.48
Loans Granted (3)	600.00
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Balance Jan. 1, 1965	\$ 477.48

Respectfully submitted,
ROBERT C. RICH
Chairman



Colonel Town Bicentennial Float

Superintendent's Report

Due to the Bi-centennial celebrations throughout the year, new records were established at the Community House and on the Community Field for the number of people visiting and enjoying these Col. Town facilities.

Each year seems to show a considerable growth in the activities at the Community House, Field, Camp and Swimming Pool. This increase, of course, is very gratifying and interesting to those of us who have the opportunity of serving the fine people of Lancaster at these various Col. Town facilities.

Several additions and improvements were made during the year for the safety, convenience and enjoyment of the many people making use of them. More improvements are planned for the coming year. The Community House, Field, Camp and Swimming Pool, along with their respective facilities, have been shown to many visitors during the year.

The operational expenses and the income derived from the various Col. Town facilities will be found in the Treasurer's report. Other statistics will be shown in the Secretary's report.

A three by five lighted sign was placed on the lawn in front of the Community House.

The grandstand received a coat of green paint last summer. The two baseball dugouts and the tennis court rails were also painted, adding to the appearances of the Community Field considerably. The field was used by nearly double the amount of people than the previous year. With so many different and varied programs taking place it required considerable planning to allow time for all of the maintenance work necessary on the field.

The Community Camp opened for the season on May 24th and one hundred sixty-three people came out and took advantage of the fine weather on opening day.

Improvements at the Camp this year included a new floor in the main hall, also new window screens and screen doors. We have a drinking water connection at the large center grill which was appreciated by those using this grill as well as the grills on the left side of the area.

As in all of our summer programs, July was again the busiest month at the camp. The Camp closed for the year on Oct. 3rd, 1964.

The success of the Camp last summer was due in a large part to the conscientious efforts and interest demonstrated by our caretakers.

The Swimming Pool opened for its summer season June 22nd and three hundred fifty-four young people enjoyed themselves for the free opening day general swim.

New floats and plastic rope were added to the pool last summer and new tank suits were purchased for our competitive swim team. This team again placed in the State of New Hampshire recreation swimming meet.

The floors of the dressing rooms were painted with the same blue plastic used on the Pool, which was also recoated again. On the steel rim which surrounds the pool a non-slip material was used for the prevention of accidents. The fixtures inside the building were rearranged for checking in and out which helped considerably.

Except for a very few days the air tempture, which we record twice daily, was unusually cold throughout the swimming season. Many days were extremely cold and stormy but classes were very well attended and a large number of people enjoyed the Pool. By comparison we find that our Swimming Pool is one of the few where both the Red Cross and Y. M. C. A. instructional and water safety programs are carried out. Our appreciation is extended to these fine organizations, for their cooperation at the Pool.

There were three hundred forty-two children's season's tickets sold and one hundred twenty-six adults bought tickets for the season.

One hundred forty-one young people received awards at the end of the season, for passing skills in the Red Cross and Y. M. C. A. aquatic programs.

May we take this opportunity to express our appreciation to our staff who have worked faithfully and conscientiously in all departments.

We would also like to express our appreciation to the Town Officials, the students and teachers of the schools and the young people of the town for their cooperation throughout the year.

Our appreciation is extended to the people of Lancaster, and to the various organizations and individuals, for their cooperation and many acts of kindness shown us the past year.

We wish to thank the members of the Col. Town Spending Committee for the contribution of their time and assistance, which has been very essential in our endeavors. It has been gratifying working with such a fine group of people.

ROBERT J. SNELL
Superintendent

Report of Audit

The annual examination and audit of the accounts of the Town of Lancaster for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1964 was made by the Municipal Accounting Division of the State Tax Commission, in accordance with the vote of the Town. The complete report, referred to below is on file in the Town Office and available for inspection at any time.

SCOPE OF AUDIT

Included in the examination and audit were the accounts and records of the Board of Selectmen, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, District Court, Trustees of Trust Funds, Colonel F. L. Town Fund, Weeks Memorial Library, Public Health Nurse, Dental Clinic, Summer Street Cemetery and Bi-Centennial Committee. The accounts of the Lancaster Municipal Court for the period January 1, 1964 to June 30, 1964, were not available at the time of audit.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

Comparative statements of appropriations and expenditures, estimated and actual revenues for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1964, are presented. As indicated by the budget summary, a revenue surplus of \$5,563.59, plus a net unexpended balance of appropriations of \$1,857.08, resulted in a net budget surplus of \$7,420.67.

AUDIT PROCEDURE

The accounts and records of all town officials charged with the custody, receipt and disbursement of public funds were examined and audited. Vouchers and cancelled checks were compared with supporting invoices and payrolls as well as entries in the books of record. Receipts were checked by source insofar as possible and totals of receipts and expenditures verified. Book balances were verified by comparison with reconciled bank balances made from statements obtained from depository banks. Verification of uncollected taxes was made by mailing notices to delinquent taxpayers as indicated by the Collector's records. The amounts uncollected and unredeemed taxes as indicated in this report are therefore subject to any changes which may be necessiated by the return of verification notices.

GENERAL COMMENTS

Current Surplus:

The current surplus (excess of total assets over current liabilities) increased by \$2,126.70, from \$19,156.45 to \$21,283.15 in 1964, as shown herewith:

	December 31, 1963	December 31, 1964
Total Assets	\$155,772.72	\$233,952.18
Current Liabilities	136,616.27	212,669.03
Current Surplus	<u>\$ 19,156.45</u>	<u>\$ 21,283.15</u>

CONCLUSION

The provisions of Chapter 184 of the Laws of 1955, require that this report or the summary of findings and recommendations (letter of transmittal) shall be published in the next report of the Town.

We extend our thanks to the officials of the Town of Lancaster for their assistance during the course of the audit.

Yours very truly,

HAROLD G. FOWLER

Director

Division of Municipal Accounting
State Tax Commission

Lionel J. DeGrace, Auditor

Laurence M. Bean, Accountant

CERTIFICATE OF AUDIT

This is to certify that we have examined and audited the accounts and records of the Town of Lancaster for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1964. In our opinion, the Exhibits included herewith reflect the true financial condition of the Town as of December 31, 1964, together with the results of operations for the fiscal year ended on that date.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD G. FOWLER

Director

Division of Municipal Accounting
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Summary of Receipts, Expenditures and Proof of Balance

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1964

Balance—January 1, 1964	\$ 78,198.36	
Receipts During Year	620,719.86	
	<hr/>	\$698,918.22
Expenditures During Year		548,220.56
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Balance—December 31, 1964		\$150,697.66

Proof of Balance

Balance in the Lancaster National Bank—		
Per Statement December 31, 1964		\$ 90,883.78
Add: Deposits of January 7, 1965	\$ 9,354.43	
January 8, 1965	328.82	
January 12, 1965	484.60	
January 12, 1965	895.28	
	<hr/>	11,063.13
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		\$101,946.91
Less: Outstanding Checks		13,249.25
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		\$ 88,697.66
Certificates of Deposits		60,000.00
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		\$148,697.66

Payroll Account

Balance in the Lancaster National Bank—		
Per Statement December 31, 1964	\$ 2,769.88	
Add: 1965 Checks Cashed in 1964	184.09	
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	\$ 2,953.97	
Less: Outstanding Checks	953.97	
	<hr/>	2,000.00
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Reconciled Balance — December 31, 1964		\$150,697.66

CLASSIFIED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1964

Receipts:

From Local Taxes:

Current Year

Property Taxes	\$360,647.04
Poll Taxes	1,762.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	682.00
Yield Taxes	371.62
Head Taxes	5,580.00
	<hr/> \$369,042.66

Prior Years:

Property Taxes	\$ 42,633.38
Poll Taxes	792.00
Yield Taxes	689.24
Head Taxes	2,465.50
Tax Sales Redeemed	13,931.33
	<hr/> 60,511.45

Interest on Taxes 2,623.44

Head Tax Penalties 268.00

\$432,445.55

From State of New Hampshire:

Interest & Dividends Tax	\$ 10,414.01
Railroad Tax	942.96
Town Road Aid	3,909.10
National Forest Reserve	179.18
Old Age Assistance Recoveries	315.75
Bounties	42.00
Gas Tax Refunds	1,221.50
Savings Bank Tax	2,089.18
Blister Rust	.75
Head Tax Reimbursements	44.23
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19,158.66

From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Dog Licenses	\$ 599.61
Business Licenses, Permits & Filing Fees	507.50
Rent of Town Property	1,563.00
Interest on Deposits	488.33
Motor Vehicle Permits	20,076.96
Parking Meter Income	6,594.94
Parking Meter Violations	419.98
Municipal & District Courts	3,732.69
Sale of Town Property	1,226.21
Precinct's Share Manager's Salary	1,000.00

1963 Check No. 552 Replaced

7.00

 \$ 36,216.22

Receipts Other Than Current Revenue:

Temporary Loans \$125,000.00

Appropriation Credits:

Town Officers' Expenses	\$ 158.50
Police	276.80
Health and Hospital	511.14
Town Maintenance	1,289.73
Election and Registration	5.50
Street Lights	41.00
Town Poor	534.08
Social Security and Blue Cross	3,070.22
Parks and Playgrounds	197.00
Care of Dump	20.00
Care of Trees	14.00
Town Hall	79.45
Insurance	805.01
Long Term Interest	12.00
Sewer Maintenance	885.00

 7,899.43

 132,899.43

Total Receipts From All Sources

 \$620,719.86

Balance — December 31, 1963

 78,198.36

Grand Total

 \$698,918.22

Expenditures:

General Government:

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 12,180.50
Town Officers' Expenses	4,657.73
Election & Registration	1,130.90
Municipal & District Courts	1,877.50
Town Hall & Building Maintenance	8,088.69

 \$ 27,935.32

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police Department	\$ 13,617.61
Fire Department	4,500.00
Blister Rust—Care of Trees	1,387.74
Insurance	3,769.65
Civil Defense	221.27
Parking Meters	6,154.84
Bounties	46.50
Zoning	186.60

 \$ 29,884.21

Health:

Health Department	\$ 3,255.57	
Hospital	3,000.00	
Vital Statistics	341.00	
Sewer Maintenance	2,999.62	
Dump and Garbage Removal	2,976.13	
	<hr/>	12,572.32

Highways and Bridges:

Town Road Aid	\$ 748.25	
Town Maintenance	62,032.38	
Street Lighting	11,389.49	
State Aid Construction	78.06	
	<hr/>	74,248.18

Libraries

7,378.09

Public Welfare:

Old Age Assistance	\$ 8,756.30	
Town Poor	3,191.25	
	<hr/>	11,947.55

Recreation & Parks & Playgrounds

3,045.79

Patriotic Purposes:

Memorial Day	200.00
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Public Services Enterprises—Cemeteries

2,000.00

Interest:

Temporary Loans	\$ 1,701.40	
Long Term Notes	587.01	
	<hr/>	2,288.41

Capital Outlay:

New Equipment — Highway	6,681.90
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Indebtedness:

Temporary Loans	\$125,000.00	
Long Term Notes	7,000.00	
Capital Reserve Fund	3,000.00	
	<hr/>	135,000.00

Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:

State Head Taxes	\$ 7,595.50	
Special Yield Taxes (Bond & Debt Retirement)	141.23	
County Tax	21,934.57	
School Tax	182,465.30	
	<hr/>	212,136.60

Unclassified:

Damages & Legal Expenses	\$ 485.95	
Advertising & Regional Associations	2,835.06	
Taxes Bought by Town	12,719.00	
Social Security & Retirement	6,736.13	

Abatements & Refunds	125.28	
Payroll Cash Adjustment	.77	
	<hr/>	22,902.19
Total Expenditures For All Purposes		<hr/> \$548,220.56
Balance — December 31, 1964		150,697.66
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Grand Total		\$698,918.22

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS
As of December 31, 1963 and December 31, 1964

Assets	December 31, 1963	December 31, 1964
Cash:		
Treasurer	\$78,198.36	\$150,697.66
Petty Cash	50.00	50.00
200th Anniversary Fund	3,891.55	860.26
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	\$ 82,139.91	\$151,607.92
Capital Reserve Funds	4,836.42	7,980.80
Accounts Receivable:		
Bounties	\$ 4.00	\$ 8.50
Lancaster Municipal Court	1,090.82	
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	1,094.82	8.50
Unredeemed Taxes:		
Levy of 1963	\$	\$ 5,698.15
Levy of 1962	6,809.03	3,874.37
Levy of 1961	3,813.15	275.97
Levy of 1960	1,070.04	19.46
Levies of Prior Years	743.21	51.71
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	12,435.43	9,919.66
Uncollected Taxes:		
Levy of 1964	\$	\$ 54,976.39
Levy of 1963	45,686.66	1,961.10
Levy of 1962	2,674.19	2,428.76
Levy of 1961	1,565.73	733.39
Levy of 1960	376.96	342.96
Levies of Prior Years	1,637.10	870.70
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	51,940.64	61,313.30
Uncollected State Head Taxes:		
Current Year	\$ 2,630.00	\$ 2,555.00
Prior Years	695.50	567.00
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	3,325.50	3,122.00
Total Assets	<hr/> \$155,772.72 <hr/>	<hr/> \$233,952.18 <hr/>

Liabilities	December 31, 1963	December 31, 1964
Unexpended Balances of Appropriations:		
School Tax	\$120,662.39	\$190,965.55
Civil Defense	300.00	
New Equipment	1,400.00	1,400.00
Reappraisal of Town	2,000.00	6,500.00
Police		1,198.00
Town Officers' Expenses		400.00
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	\$124,362.39	\$200,463.55
Capital Reserve Funds	4,836.42	7,980.80
200th Anniversary Fund	3,891.55	860.26
Due State of New Hampshire:		
Head Taxes—		
Uncollected	\$ 2,630.00	\$ 2,555.00
Collected	380.00	351.50
Special Yield Taxes—		
Uncollected	374.68	281.11
Special Yield Taxes—		
Collected	141.23	176.81
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	3,525.91	3,364.42
Long Term Notes		
Outstanding:		
Highway Garage—'58	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 500.00
Equipment Notes—'61	3,000.00	
Equipment Notes—'62	14,500.00	11,500.00
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	19,000.00	12,000.00
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Total Liabilities	\$155,616.27	\$224,669.03
Surplus	156.45	9,283.15
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Total Liabilities & Surplus	\$155,772.72	\$233,952.18
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STATEMENT OF TOWN CLERK'S ACCOUNTS

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1964

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Motor Vehicle Permits Issued

1963—Nos. 417781 - 422289	\$ 302.36	
1964—Nos. 345004 - 346934	19,652.60	
1965—Nos. 454801 - 454809	122.00	
	<hr/>	\$20,076.96

Dog Licenses Issued:

265 @ \$2.00	\$ 530.00	
10 @ \$5.00	50.00	
10 @ Various Amounts	13.61	
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\$ 593.61

Penalties Collected (12 @ \$0.50)

6.00

599.61

\$20,676.57

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Remittances to Treasurer:

Motor Vehicle Permits \$20,076.96

Dog Licenses & Penalties 599.61

\$20,676.57

SUMMARY OF TAX WARRANTS
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1964

Debit	1964	Prior Yrs.
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1963		
Property Taxes		\$ 48,475.53
Poll Taxes		1,100.00
Yield Taxes		2,365.11
Taxes Committed to Collector		
Property Taxes	414,322.60	
Poll Taxes	2,632.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes	682.00	
Yield Taxes	665.77	
Added Taxes	674.25	20.00
Interest Collected	24.47	1,215.40
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	\$419,001.09	\$ 53,176.04
CREDIT		
Remittances to Treasurer		
Property Taxes	\$360,647.04	\$ 42,633.38
Poll Taxes	1,762.00	792.00
National Bank Stock	682.00	
Yield Taxes	371.62	689.24
Interest	24.47	1,215.40
Abatement Allowed		
Property Taxes	501.57	844.36
Poll Taxes	36.00	126.00
Yield Taxes		538.75
Uncollected Taxes Dec. 31, 1964		
Property	53,600.82	4,997.79
Poll	838.00	190.00
Yield	537.57	1,149.12
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	\$419,001.09	\$ 53,176.04

SUMMARY OF TAX SALE ACCOUNT

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1964

Debit	1963	Prior Yrs.
Unredeemed Taxes Dec. 31, 1963		\$ 12,435.43
Tax Sale March 30, 1964	\$ 12,719.00	
Interest and Costs	174.07	1,209.50
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	\$ 12,893.07	\$ 13,644.93
Credit		
Remittances to Treasurer		
Redemptions	6,662.76	7,268.57
Interest and Costs	174.07	1,209.50
Abatements Allowed	176.74	333.50
Deeded to Town	181.35	611.85
Unredeemed Taxes Dec. 31, 1964	5,698.15	4,221.51
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	\$ 12,893.07	\$ 13,644.93

SUMMARY OF STATE HEAD TAX WARRANTS

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1964

Debit	1964	Prior Yrs.
Uncollected Head Taxes Dec. 31, 1963		\$ 3,325.50
Head Taxes Committed to Collector	\$ 8,205.00	
Added Head Taxes	10.00	49.00
Penalties	26.50	241.50
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	\$ 8,241.50	\$ 3,616.00
Credit		
Remittances to Treasurer		
Head Taxes	5,580.00	2,465.50
Penalties	26.50	241.50
Abatements Allowed	80.00	342.00
Uncollected Head Taxes Dec. 31, 1964	2,555.00	567.00
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	\$ 8,241.50	\$ 3,616.00

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PAID
LANCASTER, N. H.
PERMIT NO. 65

University Library
Durham, N.H.

Town Telephone Directory

Town Manager	Donald E. Crane	788-3391
Town Clerk and Treasurer	Dorothy H. Willson	788-3391
Town Accountant and Fire Precinct Treasurer	Donna P. Young	788-3391
Public Health Nursing Service		788-2366
School Department		788-4924

Emergency Numbers

Police Department	788-4402
Fire Department	788-4830
Civil Defense	788-3391